# FORT MASON PHYSICAL HISTORY REPORT BUILDING INVENTORY

BUILDING NUMBER: Building 2

NAME: Quarters 2, Franklin Street

USE: historic use and contemporary use as a residence

PLAN TYPE: Two-and-a-half story wood-frame Greek Revival building

with intersecting gable and hipped roof and open porch

at north elevation

PREVIOUS BLDG NUMBERS: designated as Building 1, Commanding Officer's Quarters,

on a 1911 map; later designated as Building 2, Officer's

Quarters on a 1916 map

QUARTERMASTER PLAN NUMBER: Building was constructed from a segments of a

previous building, therefore no Quartermaster plan

number applies

#### **BUILDING CHRONOLOGY:**

- 1877 According to historic text, Building 2 was constructed from parts of the original commanding general's quarters, located south, near the current Building 1. Studding was set underneath the house to create a basement and four large dormers were installed in the roof.
- 1909 Constructed unspecified room addition (possibly the rear sun room at the southeast corner of the building).
- 1913 Installed 50 watt 55 lights, gas main in kitchen and 1 #4 Arcola heater.
- 1914 1914 floor plan showing earlier (perhaps original) floor plan with central stair case in the middle of the building; front porch access is gained from the west side of the house.
- 1916 Fort Mason post map shows a formal garden design at the east elevation of the building.
- 1914-1920 Conservatory addition has been added to the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, east elevation; modifications have been made to the 2<sup>nd</sup> story bathroom.
- 1926 Installed 1 #6 Arcola heater, 4 hot-water radiators, 1 replacement water closet bowl, bath and shower fixtures and 4 electric fixtures.
- 1927 Installed 1 replacement gas range combination with heat control.
- 1928 Installed 3 #8096 wired brackets, 4 replacement electric fixtures, 1 medicine cabinet,

- 3 # 1627 and #2127 electric fixtures, 2 window shades, 1 #4 grate basket in fire place, automatic oil burner on heating boiler including Honeywell 1-clock thermostat and a china soap dish.
- 1929 Installed 1 round earthenware basin.
- 1930 Installed 1 toilet and 1 Humphery Radiant Fire gas heater; adjustments made to oil burning plant to insure the proper working of the plant; cleaned chimney; laid 103 square yards of linoleum.
- 1931 Fort Mason post map shows concrete pathway on west and north elevation of the building.
  - Installed G.I. pneumatic pressure tank for domestic water supply system; installed 50 gallon capacity water heater, 1 beveled mirror, 14 pieces of polished glass plate, 1 combination tumbler and toothbrush holder and 1 crystal glass with nickel plated brass bracket shelf; installed 1 towel rack and 10 window shades; painted exterior of building by contract; cleaned chimney by contract.
- Reroofed building; installed one ironing board; painted kitchen and breakfast room; painted ceiling under new room; removed closet and installed door to bedroom; papered and painted bathroom by contract; laid linoleum in kitchen and pantry; laid linoleum in 2 bath rooms; papered walls of bed room and library; sealed and painted furnace room; painted various rooms; installed glass door to bathroom; built lattice under porch; installed radiator by contract.
- Painted basement; installed Frigidaire (received from Prohibition Authorities without cost); replaced heat thermostat; installed replacement Crane #6-19179 sink; repaired electric refrigerator; laid oak floor in two 1<sup>st</sup> floor bedrooms.
- 1933 Repapered three bedrooms; installed toilet; changed motor in mechanical refrigerator.
- Replaced 12 window shades; papered 4 rooms; laid oak floor in one room.
- Installed medicine cabinet; papered walls of Living Room, Reception Hall, Lower Hall, Stairway and Upper Hall; exterior painting by contract.
- 1936 Fort Mason utilities map shows the enlarged driveway to Building 2 with the formal paved driving circle; carport has been constructed and a section of the front porch has been removed to provide access to the new carport.
- 1937 Papered two rooms; replaced brick boiler fire; renewed 6 window shades; some interior painting and repairs (WPA funded); labor for repairing porch roof; repairs to motor and gas valve on oil burner; repairs to refrigerator motor.
- 1938 Installed circulating gas heater; miscellaneous repairs (WPA funded).
- Installed outdoor lighting by gate, lighting fixtures and radiator, 30 window shades and pull chain bracket; painted interior and exterior (WPA funded); installed 2 ceiling fixtures and 5 wall brackets.
- 1940 Installed window frames and sash on porch; replaced oil burner; interior repairs (WPA funded);

1941 In 1941, the building experienced major additions and alterations:

Basement: Converted original servant's bedroom into recreation room; installed knotty pine paneling; installed fireplace and bar panty

1<sup>st</sup> floor: Removed existing central stairway and rebuilt stairway in SE corner of reception room; created arched opening between reception room and living room; created addition off east elevation conservatory; installed French doors; modified 1<sup>st</sup> floor bathroom with new fixtures and finishes and probably boxed-in existing fireplace; installed new wardrobe in 1<sup>st</sup> floor bedroom; modified kitchen with new appliances and finishes; replaced hall lights and switches; installed new exterior windows at kitchen;

2<sup>nd</sup> floor: Replaced existing center staircase with new side staircase; removed partition wall between the two bedrooms at the north end to create one big bedroom; added closet and dressing room;

Modified master bedroom: modified two bedrooms into one large master bedroom; removed partition wall, wardrobe closet and block-up existing laundry shute; lowered existing ceiling to match height in end room; created master bedroom closet and blocked-up existing fireplace;

Modified bedroom at east end: expanded closet space and removed existing wash stand; moved existing French doors to hall and replaced with new windows; expanded closed space adjacent to bedroom at east elevation; created new linen closet adjacent to new staircase; modified bathroom with new fixtures and finishes; lowered ceiling in hall extension to master bedroom to match existing height.

- Installed 3 lavatories, 1 sink, and 2 tubs; installed 2 complete closets with shower and bath fixtures and lavatory; installed 9 radiators and 1 white sink.
- 1956 Renovated the kitchen: installed new steel cabinets, Formica-counter top, maple chopping block and double porcelain sink.
- Alterations to 1<sup>st</sup> floor: partition wall constructed in rear bedroom to create bathroom and smaller bedroom; the front porch access is open at both west and north sides. Alterations to 2<sup>nd</sup> floor: window on west elevation of master bedroom has been enclosed; closet in master bedroom has been modified to create a walk-in closet.
- 1963 Constructed table island in kitchen.
- 1973 Access to the front porch is still available from the west side of the building.
- post-1973 Original windows in master bedroom have been replaced with smaller windows.

#### CHARACTER-DEFINING/SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

## **EXTERIOR:**

HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -building form, shape and massing; rectangular building with front porch and side enclosed porches
- -roof shape and elements; gable roof with intersecting dormers
- -exterior surfaces; horizontal bevel siding, vertical wood siding at east elevation
- -fenestration pattern; 2/2 and 6/6 double-hung windows; 4-light transom and 5-light side lights at front door; 1-light windows with 1-light transoms at east elevation; 6-light casement windows; 2-light hopper windows; 1/1 double-hung bay windows; 6/6 casement windows at foundation level
- -moldings; dentils at frieze level
- -doors; 15-light French doors at west elevation
- -porches; front porch on north elevation with chamfered posts, simple capitals, chamfered slats; side porch on west elevation with simple newel posts
- -foundation elements; brick piers with crossed lattice screening

### LESS SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -green composition roof shingles
- -louvered windows

### INTERIOR:

#### HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -floor plan; the original floor plan is intact in a few places
- -original proportion of rooms
- -stairs; central wooden stairs with simple wooden posts, undecorated newel post and turned balusters
- -moldings; simple door and window casings; baseboards; chair rail in east addition
- -interior finishes; hardwood floors with inlay at floor perimeter; plaster ceilings and walls; early vertical bead board paneling inside closet
- -rooms; east addition; master bedroom with walk-through closet; smaller bedrooms inside dormers
- -interior doors and windows; arch door way in front hall; 1-panel doors
- -unique fixtures or appliances; living room fireplace; marble fireplace with keystone; fireplace in rear bedroom with early wood paneling; bathroom fixtures

# LESS SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -kitchen; features, appliances and finishes
- -some bathroom features and finishes

# **OVERALL ARCHITECTURAL:**

In 1941, the Army conducted a fairly extensive renovation of the building. The floor plans were altered, modifying the access circulation. Ceilings were lowered, partition walls were added and new fixtures and finishes were installed. While most of the early floor plan is still intact, the interior of the building no longer feels like a 19<sup>th</sup> century residence. Because of these modifications, the building only retains a moderate level of integrity.

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# FORT MASON PHYSICAL HISTORY REPORT BUILDING INVENTORY

BUILDING NUMBER: Building 3

NAME: Haskell House, Franklin Street

USE: historic and contemporary use as a residence

PLAN TYPE: Two-story wood frame Italianate building with hipped

roof, Mansard second floor and glazed front porch

PREVIOUS BLDG NUMBERS: designated Building 3 as early as a 1911 map

QUARTERMASTER PLAN NUMBER: Building constructed by private citizen therefore

no Quartermaster plan number applies

#### **BUILDING CHRONOLOGY:**

Building was constructed by a private citizen for an estimated \$3750.00. Original building shape was probably a single story, L-shaped cottage.

1877 Constructed a rear addition to the original building, creating a rectangular structure.

1870-1890 Two-story addition (probably at the north end of the building) was constructed with a bedroom and servant's quarters on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor and two small bedrooms on the 2<sup>nd</sup> level. A shed room in rear was attached as a kitchen and the foundation was repaired. The dining room was extended four feet to the west and a bay window was added to the library

- 1913 Installed 40-light, 50-Gem.
- 1920 Historic photographs show front east elevation still as an open porch.
- 1920-1945 Constructed small bathroom addition off servant's quarters at northwest end of 1<sup>st</sup> floor.
- 1926 Installed 1 replacement enamel sink.
- 1927 Installed 11 replacement electrical fixtures and 1 replacement gas range with heat control.
- 1928 Installed 17 replacement window shades, 1 wall radiator, an automatic oil burner on heating boiler, including a Honeywell 1-clock thermostat.
- 1929 Installed 10 window shades.
- 1930 Installed 1 replacement window shade; cleaned chimney.

- 1931 Fort Mason post map shows stairs leading down from Sheridan Street (Later Franklin Street) to the northwest corner of Building 3. Installed 1 window shade; painted exterior of building by contract; cleaned 3 chimneys by contract; painted upstairs bathroom; constructed shower bath partition; laid linoleum in bath room; painted room interiors.
- Replaced float valve and ventilator in heating plant; painted kitchen, pantry and bath room by contract; laid linoleum on kitchen and pantry floors by contract; repapered living room.
- 1933 Replaced 48 window shades; replaced valve on Furnace Oil Burner.
- Historic photo show the front porch on the east elevation enclosed with glazing and a new 6/6 double-hung window installed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the south elevation.
- 1935 Painted exterior of building by Company Quartermaster (CQM) contract.
- Installed lavatory and installed radiator; papered living room; repaired oil burner; repaired Servel unit refrigerator.
- Fort Mason utilities map shows distinct asphalt path connecting the driveway from Building 2 to Building 3; there is also a distinct asphalt edging around Building 3's perimeter.
- 1937 Repaired temperature control of oil burner. Installed Servel unit in refrigerator.
- 1938 Painted exterior (WPA-funded); installed china tank in water closet and stack switch on oil burner.
- 1939 Installed Keystone #28 automatic water heater and 3-wire thermostat; installed 30 window shades and Alabax medicine cabinet.
- 1940 Installed 19 electric hangers, curtain rods and fixtures, 1 door bell, 2 bath tubs and 2 lavatories; installed #77 8-day clock thermostat; repaired oil burner; installed frames and sash in living room.
- 1942 Installed 3 window shades.
- 1945 plan showing sun porch on 1<sup>st</sup> floor east elevation now enclosed with glazing and original exterior wall having been removed. The north end of the 1<sup>st</sup> floor contains rooms designated as both servant's quarters and breakfast rooms. The north end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor shows partition wall subdividing the large room into two bedrooms.
- 1946 Fort Mason post map shows the landscape connection between Building 3 and Building 4.
- Plan showing walls removed to convert servant's room into a family room. Kitchen renovated with new appliances, cabinets and finishes installed.

# CHARACTER-DEFINING/SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

#### **EXTERIOR:**

# HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -building form, shape and massing; main rectangular two story building with a one-story addition
- -roof shape and elements; hipped roof with triangular brackets; brick chimney; small hipped roof with small brackets over bay windows at south elevation
- -exterior surfaces; horizontal bevel siding; vertical paneling on enclosed sun porch at east elevation; wood shingles at 2<sup>nd</sup> story; horizontal drop siding on 1<sup>st</sup> floor, north elevation
- -fenestration pattern; 2/2 double-hung windows; 6/6 double-hung windows; front porch has 4-light transoms and 4-side lights; 6-light fixed windows at foundation level; 4-light fixed windows; 8-light fixed at west elevation
- -moldings; some doors and windows have simple surrounds; windows at east elevation have tall lintels; the 2<sup>nd</sup> story window surrounds have tall projecting lintels
- -doors; small exterior trap door at southwest corner of south elevation
- -porches; front porch at east elevation with tongue-and-groove flooring
- -foundation elements; concrete foundation

# LESS SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -aluminum frame louvered windows at enclosed addition at northwest elevation
- -3-light front door

#### **INTERIOR:**

## HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -floor plan; much of the early floor plan exists
- -original volume and proportion of rooms
- -original ceiling height
- -stairs; narrow central stairs; wooden side rails, chamfered newel posts and balusters
- -moldings; simple door and window casings; baseboard; picture railings; paneled ceilings;  $2^{nd}$  floor has dado-level paneling of recessed panels with chamfered ledges, chair rail; vertical bead board; vertical siding and chair rail
- -interior finishes; plaster walls; wood flooring with details at the perimeter; vertical bead board; paneled ceilings
- -interior doors and windows; 4-light, 1-panel swing kitchen door; 6-panel front closet door; 4-panel door; 5-panel closet door
- -hardware; ornate door hinge
- -unique fixtures or appliances; marble fireplace with metal grate and screen; built-in kitchen pantry and sink; metal radiators; sink in 1<sup>st</sup> floor bathroom

#### LESS SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -kitchen; features, appliances and finishes
- -some bathroom features and finishes

#### **OVERALL ARCHITECTURAL:**

Building 3 contains a high level of integrity, as much historic fabric remains. The building started as a small mid 19<sup>th</sup> century residence that has since undergone several modifications to accommodate larger families, modern conveniences and architectural styles. Fortunately, most of the subsequent modifications have been appropriate to the buildings' architectural character. The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor wall panels are unusual; this kind of wall treatment has not been found in other similar military residences and may reflect the taste and influence of the building's early residents.

#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

In September 1857, U.S Senator David C. Broderick dueled with State Supreme Court Justice David S. Terry over the issue of slavery. Broderick, a proponent of the abolishment movement, was fatally wounded and was brought to the house of his close friend, Leonidas Haskell for medical treatment. Broderick died the next day inside the Haskell's home (later identified by the Army as Quarters 3). Local folk lore and subsequent residents have identified repeated suspicious events as the actions of Broderick's ghost.

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# FORT MASON PHYSICAL HISTORY REPORT BUILDING INVENTORY

BUILDING NUMBER: Building 4

NAME: Palmer House, Franklin Street

USE: historic and contemporary use as residences

PLAN TYPE: Two-and-a-half story wood-frame Italianate/Second Empire

structure with hipped roof and double-stair front entrance

PREVIOUS BLDG NUMBERS: designated Building 4 as early as a 1911 map

QUARTERMASTER PLAN NUMBER: Building constructed by private citizen therefore no

Quartermaster plan number applies

#### **BUILDING CHRONOLOGY:**

- Building was constructed as a private residence for an estimated \$4900. The original building was probably a small, square one or two story wood-frame structure.
- 1878 The two-story kitchen wing that projected away from the house was turned and attached to the southern side of the house. New chimneys were constructed; rooms were re-arranged and repaired and the foundations was overhauled.
- By 1883, the building had been converted into a duplex. Two rear additions, at the west and southwest elevations had been constructed probably to provide more space to the original square building after the duplex conversion. The bay windows and exterior dentil moldings were probably added during or after the duplex conversion.
- 1910s A plan from the 1910s show the 1<sup>st</sup> floor with two front parlors and dining rooms, equally divided in the main building with kitchen and servants quarters in the two rear west and southwest additions The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the main building contained two bedrooms and a bath on each side; the second floor of the southwest addition contained two bedrooms.
- 1913 Installed 56 lights with 50-watt Gem.
- 1920s-1930s A plan probably dated between 1920 and 1930 shows 4-N, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, west elevation, with a new constructed large bedroom and sun porch addition located over the earlier kitchen and servant's room. A previous bathroom in 4-N has been converted into a closet and hallway access to the new sunporch. In 4-S, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, southwest wing, one bedroom has been modified to accommodate a new bathroom and an hallway has been

constructed at the north exterior elevation to provide additional access to the two bedrooms. One closet in the main building of 4-S has been converted into a bathroom.

Although no 1<sup>st</sup> floor plan from this time frame exists, new ground level additions are discernible from the roof lines on the available 2<sup>nd</sup> floor plan. The sunroom in 4-N, facing the bay, at the north elevation has been constructed. New kitchen pantries have been added in each unit. At the southwest wing of 4-S, one pantry has been constructed onto the east elevation of the existing kitchen. At the 4-N west wing kitchen, a another pantry has been added with an extension to the north.

- 1922 Installed two Arcolas heaters.
- Installed one New Automatic hot water heater "Premier" size #3 in 4-N; installed 35 new window shades to replace 35 unserviceable ones (perhaps in 4-S) and installed 26 replacement window shades in 4-N.
- 1927 Installed 1 replacement bowl and toilet; installed 2 window shades.
- 1928 Permanently installed 1 hot water heater Automatic storage "Premier" size #3; installed 3 window shades, 4 electric light fixtures, 1 enameled sink, 2 complete cabinets, 1 iron, 6 window shades and 27 square yards of linoleum.
- 1929 Installed 1 Radiant Fire gas heater and 1 window shade.
- 1930 Installed 1 Tank Expansion; cleaned chimneys; papered and painted (unspecified location).
- Painted exterior of building by contract during month of June 1931 (9<sup>th</sup> C.A. Funds); cleaned 6 chimneys by contract. Painted and papered interior of quarters; installed shower bath; installed new shades in quarters; repaired windows and screens; overhauled plumbing; cleaned and renovated quarters for new occupant.
- Replaced porch on east side with new porch (this unspecified location could be the 4-S pantry); installed iron gutter and leader pipe. Installed 1 portable #C-4350 shower per unit. In 4-S, repapered 3 bedrooms and 27 window shades; tiled 2 bathroom floors and repapered back bedroom.
- 1934 Installed 1000 gallon horizontal oil tank and plant in both units; installed #S-1023 Steam Boiler and Oil Burner replacing 2 gas radiator heaters.
- In 4-N, papered walls in living room, dining room, lower and upper halls and middle bed room; tinted ceilings, repaired cracks in wall frieze. In 4-S, papered dining room. Painted building exterior by Company Quartermaster (C.Q.M) contract; repaired under pinning of building.
- Repaired oil burner and oil burner stat. In 4-N, Norge refrigerator repaired and servant's quarters painted (WPA-funded).
- 1938 In 4-S, installed medicine cabinet, 2 toilet seats, bath tub and water closet. Painted exterior of building.
- 1939 Installed "B-Wiseway" shower and cabinet; installed Ray XP oil burner, switch, gauge and oil.

- 1940 Installed medicine cabinet and mirror; installed 3-wire watt-hour meter.
- In 4-N, installed enamel and porcelain lavatory, and bath tile in wall and floor; repaired refrigerator and installed 2 ceiling light fixtures.
- 1945 floor plans show new modifications. In the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of 4-N, a closet in the main building has been converted into a hallway. At the 1<sup>st</sup> floor west wing, a new pantry has been installed within the kitchen and a new bathroom has been added to the exterior of the maid's room. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of 4-N, two new closets have been constructed and the west elevation sun room addition is now designated as a bedroom.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, main building of 4-S, a closet has been converted into a bathroom. Also at the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, a rear porch connecting the building to Franklin Street has been constructed as an extension of the earlier hallway. The hallway between the two bedrooms has been closed and converted into a closet.

- 1946 A 1946 Fort Mason post map shows the landscape connection between Building 4 and Building 3.
- Renovated kitchens in both units. In 4-N, removed windows between kitchen and maid's room, sheetrocked walls and replaced appliances, cabinets and finishes. Installed new door at pantry's north elevation (facing the bay) and installed concrete steps and walkway that connected back up to the rear of the house.
  - In 4-S, removed the wall between the kitchen and the later pantry addition (that was originally an exterior 19<sup>th</sup> century wall until it was enclosed with the pantry addition in 1920s-1930s). Installed new 16-light casement window and 12-light double-hung windows; sheetrocked walls and replaced appliances, cabinets and finishes; enclosed an early door opening to interior yard area and replace with 12-light double-hung window.
- In 4-S, installed small wooden gate or corral outside the kitchen door of 4-S; probably constructed to hide garbage barrels.

# CHARACTER-DEFINING/SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

#### **EXTERIOR:**

#### HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -building form, shape and massing; rectangular building with several additions
- -roof shape and elements; low hipped roof with corbelled brick chimneys
- -exterior surfaces; horizontal shingles; horizontal bevel siding; horizontal drop siding; vertical siding enclosing rear porch at west elevation
- -fenestration pattern; 2/2 double-hung windows at 2<sup>nd</sup> floor; 6/6 double-hung windows at 1<sup>st</sup> floor; 1/1 double-hung bay windows; 2/2 double hung bay windows
- -moldings; dentils at 1<sup>st</sup> floor frieze; tall entablature; 2<sup>nd</sup> floor window surrounds project with series of moldings
- -doors; 10-light door; 2-light, 2-panel decorative at east elevation; 4-light, 2-panel door on east elevation of north addition

- -porches; front porch at east elevation; wooden stairs with chamfered newel posts and cross-bracing rails; cross-lattice screening; front portico at east elevation with chamfered posts; ornate brackets and projected overhang
- -light fixtures; exterior light fixture at east elevation
- -foundation elements; partial basement level

#### LESS SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -the rear porch connecting the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of 4-S to Franklin Street
- -wooden gate at rear kitchen of 4-S

## **INTERIOR:**

#### HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -floor plan; much of the original floor plan is evident
- -original volume and proportion of rooms
- -original ceiling height
- -stairs; narrow, central wood stairs; curved newel posts; turned balusters; finished basement stairs in 4-N
- -moldings; picture railing; baseboards, door and window casings; plaster ceiling medallion; 2<sup>nd</sup> floor window casings have curved brackets and projecting sills; chair rail and vertical bead board in rear hallway in 4-N
- -interior finishes; plaster ceilings; hard wood floors perimeter inlay; early vertical bead board paneling visible behind bedroom radiator; complex paneling inside bedroom closet in 4-S; block paneling in 4-N; vertical paneling in 2<sup>nd</sup> floor west end of 4-N
- -interior doors and windows; 4-panel door; narrow 4-panel closet door
- -hardware; porcelain door knob with metal lock on bedroom closet door
- -unique fixtures or appliances; bedroom mantelpieces have beveled mirrors, Ionic pilasters, ceramic tiling and metal register grate; wooden hutch in 4-S kitchen pantry; porcelain wash sinks in rear kitchen pantry; cast iron tub in rear 1<sup>st</sup> floor bedroom; decorative metal radiator;

#### LESS SENSITIVE TO ALTERATION:

- -built-in book shelves in north unit
- -built-in linen closet in south unit
- -kitchen finishes and appliances in both units

# **OVERALL ARCHITECTURAL:**

Despite the many layers of modifications, this building still contains a significant amount of historic fabric and retains a high level of integrity. Fortunately, most of the modifications have been additive, rather than subtractive. Many unusual detail still exist, like the interior spatial configurations of the main building's 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. The slightly-attenuated Mansard roof causes the room to get more narrow at the ceiling level and the interior window sills project slightly into the room.

# ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Some of the early wall treatments may remain under the several subsequent layers of plaster and drywall. The weight of the chimney is resulting in some significant floor damage in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the main building

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